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## BOX PATENT APPLICATION

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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Yuji KOHARA Inventor(s):

For: ENERGY CONVERTING POLAR PLATE DEVICE AND METHOD FOR THE

PREPARATION THEREOF

## Enclosed are:

$\boxtimes$	A specification consisting of nine (9) pages						
$\boxtimes$	One (1) sheet(s) formal drawings						
	An assignment of the invention						
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	$\boxtimes$	Executed Declaration ( Original Photocopy)					
		Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76					
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